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C O N F I D E N T I A L SAN SALVADOR 4582

E.O. 11652 - GDS

TAGS: OCON, OAS

SUBJ: THE QUITO MFMIN IN PERSPECTIVE

REF: STATE 252031

1. I CALLED ON FONMIN BORGONOVO TODAY TO GET HIS IMPRESSIONS OF THE QUITO MFM AND TO IMPART TO HIM THE POINTS CONTAINED IN REFTEL.

2. BORGONOVO RECAPITULATED SOME OF THE HIGHLIGHTS OF THE CONFERENCE ALREADY WELL-KNOWN TO THE DEPARTMENT. HE THOUGHT THAT THE THREE PROPONENTS OF THE CONFERENCE HAD MANAGED THINGS BADLY BOTH BEFORE AND DURING THE CONFERENCE. HE SAID THAT THEIR STRATEGY WAS FAULTY IN THAT THREE HAD COME TO QUITO WITH THE SINGLEMINDED OBJECTIVE OF GETTING THEIR OWN RESOLUTION APPROVED, EVEN IF ONLY BY A MINIMUM OF 14 VOTES, RATHER THAN TO NEGOTIATE A COMPROMISE RESOLUTION THAT WOULD HAVE GAINED AN OVERWHELMING CONSENSUS. HE SINGLED OUT THEIR OVERCONFIDENCE AND ARROGANCE AT THE CONFERENCE AS BEING THE KEY NEGATIVE ELEMENTS CONTRIBUTING TO THE UNSATISFACTORY RESULTS AND THE ABSENCE OF EFFECTIVE LEADERSHIP AT THE CONFERENCE.

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3. HE CONSIDERED THE RESULTS OF QUITO AS UNHELPFUL TO THE

INTERESTS OF THE OAS AND DEFINITELY DETRIMENTAL TO THE FUTURE OF THE RIO TREATY. HE THOUGHT THAT FIDEL CASTRO'S INTERESTS WOULD BE SERVED BY THE OUTCOME SINCE IT STILL PERMITS HIM TO BLAME HIS PROBLEMS ON THE OAS SCTIONS WHILE HE GOES ABOUT REESTABLISHING RELATIONS WITH THOSE L.A. GOVERNMENTS WILLING TO DO SO IN DETRIMENT TO THE RIO TREATY AND INTER-AMERICAN SOLIDARITY.

4. HE SAID THAT EVEN BEFORE QUITO THE GOES HAD NO INTENTION OF REESTABLISHING DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH CUBA AND NOW HAS THE RESULTS OF QUITO TO REINFORCE ITS POSITION OF ADHERING OT ITS RIO TPEATY OBLIGATIONS INTHIS RESPECT.
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